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Application No: 09/866,505

Art Unit: 2661

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Metering

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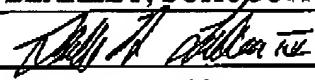
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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
27	27	0	\$0.00
Independent Claims	5	5	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent			

#### Large Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1202	50
1201	200
1203	360
1204	300
1205	300

#### Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)
2202	25
2201	100
2203	180
2204	150
2205	150

#### Fee Description

Claims in excess of 20  
Independent claims in excess of 3  
Multiple Dependent claim, if not paid  
\*Release independent claims over original patent  
\*\*Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 0.00

### 2. ADDITIONAL FEES

#### Large Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)
1051	130
1052	50
2053	130
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1254	1,590
1255	2,150
1401	500
1402	500
1403	1,000
1451	1,510
1460	130
1807	50
1808	180
1809	790
1810	790

#### Small Entity

Fee Code	Fee (\$)
2061	65
2062	25
2053	130
2251	60
2252	225
2253	610
2254	795
2255	1,080
2401	250
2402	250
2403	600
2451	1,510
2460	130
1807	50
1806	180
1809	355
2810	395

#### Fee Description

Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  
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Non-English specification  
Extension for reply within first month  
Extension for reply within second month  
Extension for reply within third month  
Extension for reply within fourth month  
Extension for reply within fifth month  
Notice of Appeal  
Filing a brief in support of an appeal  
Request for oral hearing  
Petition to institute a public use proceeding  
Petitions to the Commissioner  
Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)  
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#### Fee Paid

Other fee (specify)

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1205	300	2205	150	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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**2. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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